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In re Application of)
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Application No. 09/973,557	Examiner: Lore Janet Ramillano
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For: INTEGRATED OPTIC WAVEGUIDE IMMUNOSENSOR	<i>)</i>)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the non-Final Office Action mailed **September 4, 2008**, (hereinafter "Office Action") that issued in the above-identified patent application. In light of the following remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and placed in condition for allowance.

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Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

A Terminal Disclaimer accompanies this paper.

A Request for a One-Month Extension of Time accompanies this paper.